

**IN THE SPECIFICATION**

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**BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS**

The invention is hereinafter described in detail with reference to the accompanying drawings in which:

Fig. 1 is a schematic view of a conventional monolithic fluid injector;

Fig. 2 is a schematic view of a fluid injector as disclosed in a first embodiment of this invention;

Fig. 3a, Fig. 3b, Fig. 3c, Fig. 3d, and Fig. 3e are schematic views that show a method for manufacturing the fluid injector as shown in Fig. 2, wherein only a part P1 is shown;

Fig. 4a is a schematic view of a variant embodiment of the fluid injector as shown in Fig. 2;

Fig. 4b, Fig. 4c, and ~~[[Fig. 4c]]~~ Fig. 4d are schematic views of another variant embodiment of the fluid injector as shown in Fig. 2;

Fig. 5 is a schematic view of a fluid injector as disclosed in a second embodiment of this invention;

Fig. 6 is a schematic view of a fluid injector as disclosed in a third embodiment of this invention;

Fig. 7a, Fig. 7b, Fig. 7c, and Fig. 7d are schematic views that show a method for manufacturing the fluid injector as shown in Fig. 6, wherein only a part P2 is shown;

Fig. 8 is a schematic view of a fluid injector as disclosed in a fourth embodiment of this invention;

Fig. 9a, Fig. 9b, Fig. 9c, Fig. 9d, Fig. 9e, and Fig. 9f are schematic views that show a method for manufacturing the fluid injector as shown in Fig. 8, wherein only a part P3 is shown.